

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Paul Fenster on March 16, 2009.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the Claims

claim 1, line 4, deleted "an effective amount" and inserted --a therapeutically effective amount-- ;

claim 7, line 2, before "high blood pressure" inserted --said-- ,
line 4, deleted "susceptibility to" and inserted --levels-- ,
line 5, deleted "retention, high LDL susceptibility to aggregation",
and further at, line 5, deleted "high LDL levels," ;

claim 8, line 1, before "high" inserted --said-- ,
line 4, deleted "an effective amount" and inserted --a therapeutically effective amount-- ,
line 5, deleted "treating the" and inserted --lowering said-- and
before second occurrence of "high" inserted --said-- ;

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claim 9, line 4, deleted "an effective amount" and inserted --a therapeutically effective amount-- ;

claim 10, canceled;

claim 16, canceled;

claims 22-25 and 27, canceled;

claims 30-32, canceled;

claim 33, line 1, deleted "an effective amount" and inserted --a therapeutically effective amount-- .

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to DEBBIE K. WARE whose telephone number is (571)272-0924. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:30-6:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mike Wityshyn can be reached on 571-272-0926. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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